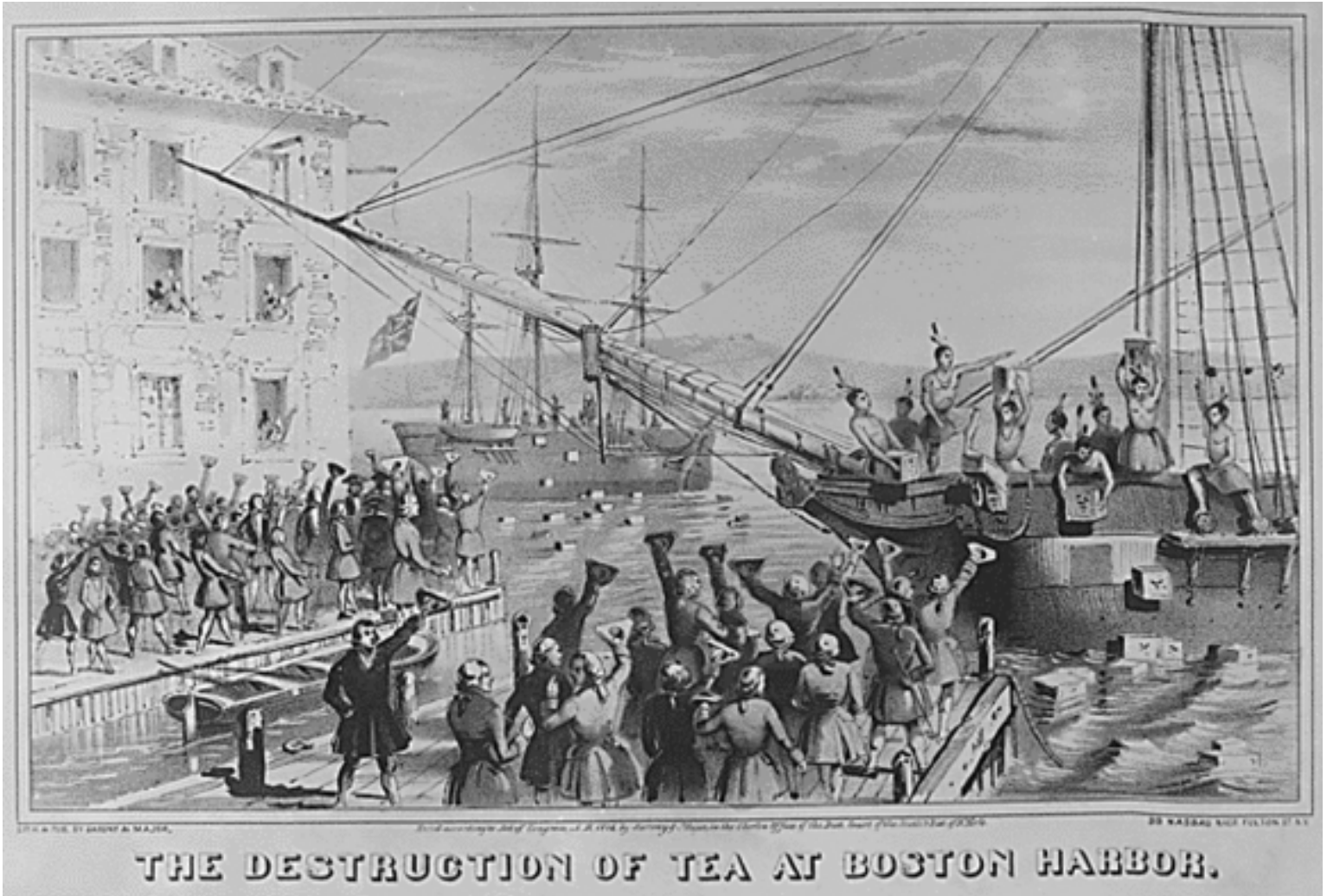


## Boston Tea Party Lithograph



"The Destruction of Tea at Boston Harbor." 1773. Copy of lithograph by Sarony & Major, 1846.

Credit: National Archives and Records Administration

Historical Context: The point of no return before the Revolutionary War is often considered the Boston Tea Party. Protests about the Stamp Acts appeared to be over when the Tea Act was passed giving a monopoly to the East India Tea Company. After a meeting was held and Samuel Adams offered a speech, the crowd headed to the water for this famous protest.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. In what year did the Boston Tea Party take place?
- A. 1846
  - B. 1919
  - C. 2009
  - D. 1773
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. How were the colonists dressed in this image?
- A. as sailors
  - B. as soldiers
  - C. as farmers
  - D. as Native Americans







June 16, 1775

ington Esq<sup>r</sup>. that he had the order of the Congress to acq[ain]t him, that the Congress had by a unanimous vote made choice of him to be general and com[mander] in chief to take the supreme command of the forces raised and to be raised, in defence of American Liberty, and desired his acceptance of it. Whereupon Colonel Washington, standing in his place, spoke as follows:

“MR. PRESIDENT,

“Tho’ I am truly sensible of the high Honour done me, in this Appointment, yet I feel great distress, from a consciousness that my abilities and military experience may not be equal to the extensive and important Trust: However, as the Congress desire it, I will enter upon the momentous duty, and exert every power I possess in their service, and for support of the glorious cause. I beg they will accept my most cordial thanks for this distinguished testimony of their approbation.

“But, lest some unlucky event should happen, unfavourable to my reputation, I beg it may be remembered, by every Gentleman in the room, that I, this day, declare with the utmost sincerity, I do not think myself equal to the Command I am honored with.

“As to pay, Sir, I beg leave to assure the Congress, that, as no pecuniary consideration could have tempted me to have accepted this arduous employment, at the expence of my domestic ease and happiness, I do not wish to make any proffit from it. I will keep an exact Account of my expences. Those, I doubt not, they will discharge, and that is all I desire.”<sup>1</sup>

Upon motion *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to draught a commission and instructions for the general.

<sup>1</sup>This reply, in the writing of Edmund Pendleton, with a single line added by Washington, is in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 152, vol. 1, folio 1.

Image Caption: Journals of the Continental Congress, 1774-1789

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 1775 Historical Context: The Continental Congress chose George Washington to be the commander of the soon-to-be Continental Army, which was intended to defend the colonists. This is the brief speech he made in response.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. According to the journal entry, Congress asked George Washington to be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. a senator
  - B. a general and commander of the Army
  - C. the president
  - D. none of the above
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Which adjective best describes how George Washington felt about being chosen?
  - A. unworthy
  - B. excited
  - C. angry
  - D. astonished
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. How did George Washington wish to be paid?
  - A. wanted no money in return
  - B. double overtime
  - C. wished to only be paid for exact expenses
  - D. accepting of the salary of \$500 each month for pay and expenses
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Based on your prior historical knowledge, where would this journal most accurately be placed in an historical time frame?
  - A. soon after Christopher Columbus arrived
  - B. before the Revolutionary War
  - C. prior to the Pilgrims' landing
  - D. after the Civil War
  
- 5. Based on your knowledge of U.S. history, how did George Washington perform in his role, in spite of his initial concerns?  
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## The Infantry of the Continental Army



Infantry: Continental Army, 1779-1783, IV / H.A. Ogden ; lith. by G.H. Buek & Co., N.Y.  
Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division Washington, D.C. 20540 USA



Name \_\_\_\_\_



Date \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. This document is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. lithograph
  - B. artifact
  - C. map
  - D. newspaper article
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. What years are on the document?
- A. 1784-1789
  - B. 1775-1778
  - C. 1790-1793
  - D. 1779-1783
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The soldiers belong to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Native Americans
  - B. French army
  - C. Continental Army
  - D. British army
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The soldiers are holding \_\_\_\_\_ in their hands.
- A. guns
  - B. books
  - C. uniforms
  - D. food
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. What might be a difference between soldiers then and now?
- A. weapons
  - B. uniforms
  - C. what the fighting is about
  - D. all of the above
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Based on this document, and on your prior knowledge of U.S. history, against whom would the soldiers be fighting?
- A. the Germans
  - B. the British
  - C. the Irish
  - D. the Russians
7. Based on this document and on your knowledge of U.S. history, what was the purpose of the Continental Army?

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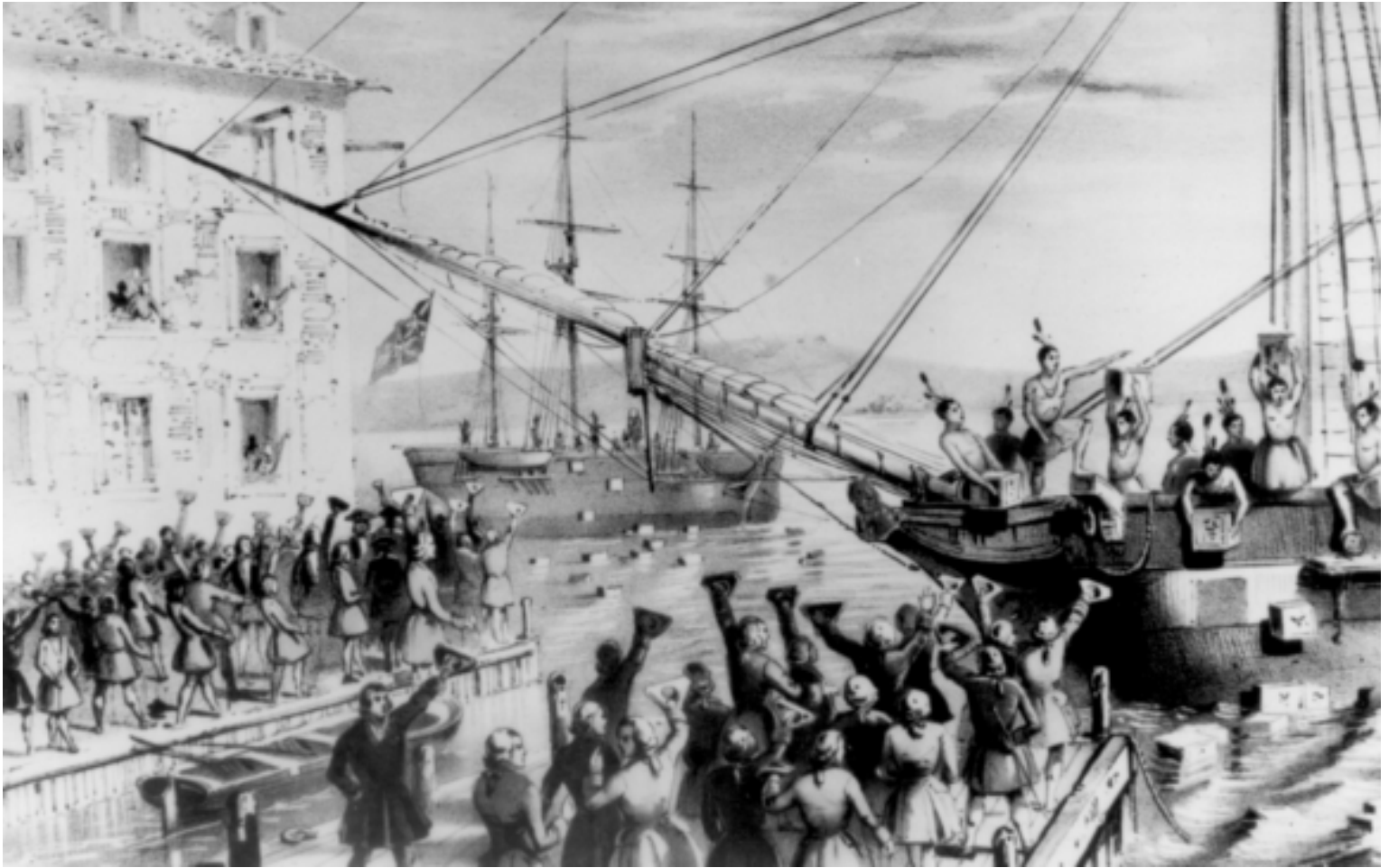
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## The Destruction of Tea at Boston Harbor



- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. What event is happening in this picture?
- A. Boston Massacre
  - B. Battle of Lexington
  - C. Battle of Yorktown
  - D. Boston Tea Party
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. This event was the start of which war?
- A. Civil War
  - B. American Revolutionary War
  - C. War of 1812
  - D. French and Indian War
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. What were the American Colonists protesting?
- A. the closing of the Port of Boston
  - B. Tea Act
  - C. events of the Boston Massacre
  - D. Intolerable Acts





